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RESPONSE B

AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Examiner Gupta:

Through the submission of the present Request for Continued Examination, the Applicants hereby remove this application from appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences and request re-opening of prosecution as permitted by Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 1215.01. The Applicants specifically reserve the right to subsequently reinstate the appeal as provided by MPEP § 1204.01. As such, please consider the following remarks and enter the following amendments. An amendment to the claims begins on page two. The Applicants' conclusion as to the allowability of the present application commences on page five.